document. It envisages a two-pronged strategy of (1) Development of rural areas by creation of better infrastructure, employment and income generating activities through schemes like Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP), Jawahar Rojgar Yojana (JRY) and Integrated Infrastructure Development (including technological back-up services) for Small Scale Industries in Rural/Backward areas (IID), and (2) Development of small and medium towns as growth centres to cater to the needs of rural/agriculture hinter lands under the Scheme of Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT). These schemes (IRDP, JRY, ILD, IDSMT, etc.) are being implemented at present.

Pending applications for out-of-turn allotment on medical grounds

4988. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of URBAN AFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications pending for out-of-turn allotment of houses on medical grounds and since when; and

(b) the reason for the delay in taking action thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) 46 cases of allotment of quarter on medical grounds are under process. The earliest application was received on 23-6-91 and the applicant has been referred for 2nd medical opinion by Special Accommodation Committee.

(b) The applications for allotment of quarter is considered subject to the applicant satisfying the conditions prescribed for different diseases like Cancer, T.B., Heart Ailment and physical handicap. The authentication of medical certificate is done from concerned hospital before the request is put up to Special Accommodation Committee (SAC) which amongst other has specialists from medical Profession as its members. SAC while deciding the cases can also refer any case for 2nd medical opinion before deciding the same. Cases are being processed in line with the procedure mentioned above and there is no delay in taking action.

Projects under Mega City Scheme

4989. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what precise projects have so far been taken up in the metropolitan cities under the Mega City Srheme;

(b) what financial provisions have been made for each such project;

(c) whether no worthwhile implementation of any of the projects has so far taken place; and

(d) if so, what measures Government have taken to secure speedier implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (d) Statement-I gives broad details of the projects included in the Mega City Scheme. (*See* below).

Statement-II indicates the 8th Plan outlay and Central assistance released during 93-94 and 94-95. (*See* below For 95-96, a budget provision of Rs. 84 crores has been made for the Mega City Scheme for release as Central assistance to the five cities. The financing pattern envisages sharing by Central Government (25%) and the balance 50 per cent through institutional financing. To ensure speedier implemmentation of the scheme, the following steps have been taken:

(i) Detailed Scheme guidelines have been issued to State Governments and Nodal Agencies.

(ii) Project Sanctioning Committee for the Scheme has been constituted at the State Level in which two members (one such from Ministry of Urban Affairs & Employment and the Planning Commission) from the Central Government are ineluded.

(iii) During 94-95, Central financial assistance has been released to the Mega City Nodal Agencies directly. The Central assistance is intended to provide a fund base to enable them to tie up with the financial institutions.

(iv) Central assistance has been provided to Mega City Nodal agencies also for preparation of project reports to undertake field studies, etc.

(v) Institutional financing being the critical element of the Scheme, Housing and Urban Development Corporation Ltd. (HUDCO) will provide the entire institutional finance component under the scheme.

The Central Government will monitor the progress of implementation of this Scheme through periodical reports reviews/meetings and project site visits.

Statement

Types of Projects taken up for implementation under the Mega City Scheme

I. BOMBAY

1. Street lighting
2. Road Bridge at Airoli
3. Land Development at Kharghat and Dronagiri
4. Technology Park at Dronagiri
5. Underpass at Vashi Node.
6. Kalwa Bridge.
7. Water Transport Project.
8. Water Supply Scheme and Sports Complex Scheme.
9. Water Supply and Sanitation Scheme, Development of Village Tanks, Shopping Complex Road Works Programme.

II. Madras

1. Widening of roads and bridges, (2) Construction of subways, (3) Strengthening of sewerage system, (4) Construction of office-cum-Shopping complex and bus terminal.

III. CALCUTTA

1. Sewerage and Drainage Schemes, (2) Solid Waste Management Schemes in Municipal areas, (3) Traffic and Transportation Schemes (4) Water Supply Schemes. (5) Environmental Improvement and recreation in Municipal areas.

IV. BANGALORE

Out of 28 schemes included in the project, 16 project reports have been prepared and 12 project reports are under preparation. After approval of the projects by the State Level sanctioning Committee, these will be taken up for execution.

V. HYDERABAD

(1) Commercial Complexes, (2) Sites and Services, (3) Recreational Parks, (4) Service Roads, (5) Solid Water Management, (6) House Numbering, (7) Storm Water Drains, (8) Flyovers, (9) RUBS etc.

Appreciable progress has been made in implementation of schemes such as service roads along highways, footpaths, and green belts as well as storm water drains in different parts of the city. The Necklace road

around Hussain Sagar Lake is in advance stage of construction and a major park has been commissioned by HUDA.

Statement-II

The estimated project cost, the 8th plan outlay, funds released during 93-94 *and* 94-95 *for the Mega city scheme are as under*

(Rs in crores)

Name of City	Estimated Project cost	Outlay 8th Plan	Central share released 1993-94	1994-95
Bomaby	800	200	20.1	16 1
Calcutta	1600	200	20.1	16.1
Madras	914	100	15.1	11.1
Hyderabad	913	100	15.1	11.1
Bangalore	805	100	0 1	20.1
Total :	5032	700	70.50	74.50

Non-entitlement charges for occupying accommodation

4990. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state.

(a) whether the non-entitlement charges of Rs. 500/- are being collected from some MPs who are occupying accommodation higher than their entitlement from general pool;

(b) whether the Cabinet Committee on accommodation has decided to waive these charges;

(c) whether this recommendation has not been implemented by the Directorate of Estates; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) It was decided by the Cabinet Committee on Accommodation in its meting held on 7-9-93 that ex-Ministers who were continuing as MPs and were staying in higher category of accommodation due to the fact that the Ministry of Urban Development has not provided to them accommodation of entitled category, may not be charged the non-entitlement fee of Rs. 500/- from June, 1991 onwards. It was also decided that this concession would not be applicable to those who have refused the accommodation of the entitled category as and when offered by the Ministry of Urban Development. This decision of the Committee was implemented vide Directorate of Estates O.M. No. 18014|1|85-Pol. III dated 23-11-93 and accordingly non-entitlement charges are not being recovered from such Members of Parliament. However, there is no such decision of the C.C.A. for waiver of non-entitlement charges in respect of members of Parliament who on their own request are allotted accommodation higher than their entitlement.